

Curriculum vitae: Prof.dr. H.G.L. (Eric) Peels

Biographical details

Full name: Peels, Hendrik George Laurens (Eric)
Title: Prof.dr.
Nationality: Dutch
Date & place of birth: May 25, 1956; Dordrecht, The Netherlands
Marital status: Married, four children (one child †)
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Education / profession

1974-1981 Study theology at the Theological University of Apeldoorn
1979-1981 Study Assyriology at the Free University, Amsterdam
1982 ThM (cum laude), Old Testament Studies, Theological University of Apeldoorn
1982-1986 Minister Christian Reformed Church of Zoetermeer, the Netherlands
1987-1992 Associate Professor Old Testament Studies, Theological University of Apeldoorn
1992 PhD (cum laude), Theological University of Apeldoorn (thesis: *De wraak van God. De betekenis van de wortel NQM en de functie van de NQM-teksten in het kader van de oudtestamentische Godsopenbaring*, Zoetermeer: Boekencentrum 1992; promoters: prof. dr. B.J. Oosterhoff and prof. dr. A.S. van der Woude (= *The Vengeance of God. The Meaning of the Root NQM and the Function of the NQM-texts in the Context of Divine Revelation in the Old Testament, Oudtestamentische Studiën XXXI*, Brill: Leiden 1995).
1993- Professor of Old Testament Studies, Theological University of Apeldoorn

Research areas

The discipline of Old Testament studies; special areas of interest:

(1) Text and Theology of the book of Jeremiah. I am preparing a scholarly commentary on Jeremiah 46-52 (series *Historical Commentary on the Old Testament*, Peeters, Leuven, and *Commentaar op het Oude Testament*, Kok-Kampen, Utrecht)

(2) Theology of the Old Testament. I published several studies concerning the Old Testament image of God

For a list of academic and professional publications see

<https://www.tua.nl/nl/prof-dr-h-g-l-peels>

<https://www.tua.academia.edu/EricPeels>

PhD supervision & assessment

Supervision as first promoter:

2004

J. Dekker, *De rotsvaste fundering van Sion. Een exegetisch onderzoek naar het Sionswoord van Jesaja 28,16*. Second promoter: prof.dr. W.A.M. Beuken, Leuven

2006

Th. Scheiber, *Lots Enkel. Israels Verhältnis zu Moab und Ammon im Alten Testament*. Second promoter: prof.dr. C. Houtman, Kampen

2007

J.-S. Kim, *Bloodguild, Atonement, and Mercy. An Exegetical and Theological Study of 2 Samuel 21:1-14*. Second promoter: prof.dr. G. Kwakkel, Kampen

2008

G. Begerau, *Elia vom Krit zum Jordan. . Eine Untersuchung zur literarischen Makrostruktur und theologischen Intention der Elia-Ahab-Erzählung (1 Kön 16,29 bis 2 Kön 2,25)*. Second promoter: prof.dr. K.A.D. Smelik, Gent

2012

A. Versluis, *Geen verbond, geen genade. Analyse en evaluatie van het gebod om de Kanaänieten uit te roeien (Deuteronomium 7)*. Second promoter: prof.dr. C. Houtman, Kampen

2019

H. van der Waard, *Jeremiah 52 in the Book of Jeremiah*. Second promoter: prof.dr. B.E.J.H. Becking, Utrecht

Supervision as second promoter:

2016

Muteba Mayembe Elie, *L'expression אֱלֹהֵי הַשָּׁמַיִם dans l'Ancien Testament. La portée de l'expression אֱלֹהֵי הַשָּׁמַיִם comme titre de הִתְנַחֵם dans la littérature biblique de l'époque perse*.

First promoter: prof.dr. Nupanga Weanzana wa Weanzana, Yaoundé (Cameroun)

2016

Hans van den Herik, *Een woonplaats voor de Heilige. Exegetisch, receptie-historisch en hermeneutisch onderzoek naar het tempelvisioen van Ezechiël 40-48*. First promoter: prof. dr G. van den Brink, Amsterdam

2019

Pieter de Boer, *Christos Synthronos. Een onderzoek naar de herkomst en het karakter van verwijzingen naar LXXPs 109 in het Nieuwe Testament*. First promoter: prof.dr. T.M. Hofman, Apeldoorn; copromoter: prof.dr. H. Gzella, Leiden

Supervision as copromoter:

2000

Young-Uk Kim, *The Ideal King According to Deuteronomy 17:14-20. An Investigation in-to Kingship in The Old Testament* (first promoter: prof.dr. C. Houtman; second promoter: prof.dr. J.C. de Moor), Kampen-1.

2019

Bert-Jan Heusinkveld, *De betere mens* (first promoter: prof.dr. H. Jochemsen; second promoter: prof.dr. G. Glas), Kampen

PhD-projects in progress:

Arjan Witzier, *De Heilige Geest in de hermeneutiek*

Bumha Kang, *The Suffering of God in the Book of Jeremiah*

Heon-Soo Kim, *Shame and Disgrace in Jeremiah and Ezekiel*
Wim de Bruin: *De val van Babylon. Een exegetisch onderzoek naar de communicatieve strategie in Openbaring 18* (with dr. M.C. Mulder, Apeldoorn)
Willem Jan Dekker, *Jesaja 63* (with prof. B.E.J.H. Becking, Utrecht, and dr. M.C.A. Korpel, Groningen)
Arjan van den Os, *The theme of Vengeance in the New Testament* (with prof.dr. J.W. van Henten, Amsterdam, and dr. M.C. Mulder, Apeldoorn)
Eric Moerdyk, *Being in Christ in Philippians* (with dr. M.C. Mulder, Apeldoorn)

External examiner PhD's:

1993

N.A. Schuman, *Gelijk om gelijk. Verslag en balans van een discussie over goddelijke vergelding in het Oude Testament* (promoter: prof.dr. H. Leene), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

1997

Th. Peppink, *Gestremde Beweging. Een theologisch onderzoek naar de verhouding tussen geloof en kunst bij Prof.dr. G. van der Leeu* (promoter: prof.dr. M.J.G. van der Velden), Rijksuniversiteit Utrecht

1998

S. Paas, *Schepping en oordeel. Een onderzoek naar scheppingsvoorstellingen bij enkele profeten uit de achtste eeuw voor Christus* (promoter: prof.dr. B.J.E.H. Becking), Rijksuniversiteit Utrecht

2000

P.P. Krüger, *Die beskrywing van gedagtesamehang: 'n eksegetiese hulpmiddel, geïllustreer aan die hand van Genesis 2* (promoter: prof. H.F. van Rooy), North-West University Potchefstroom

2001

G. Kwakkel, *'According to my righteousness'. Upright Behaviour as Grounds for Deliverance in Psalms 7, 17, 18, 26 and 44* (promoter: prof.dr. E. Noort), Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

2004

D.I. Shin, *The Ark of Yahweh in the Old Testament: An Exegetical-Theological Study*, (promoter: prof.dr. F. Lion-Cachet), North-West University Potchefstroom

2004

Dick Kroneman, *The LORD is My Shepherd, A Case Study in the Theory and Practice of Translating Biblical Metaphors* (promoter: prof.dr. L. de Vries), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

2005

J. Richard Middleton, *The Liberating Image. The Imago Dei in Genesis 1* (promoter: prof.dr. H. Leene en prof.dr. J.H. Olthuis), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

2006

Tim Walton, *Experimenting with Qohelet. A Text-Linguistic Approach to Reading Qohelet as Discours* (promoter: prof.dr. E. Talstra; copromoter: prof.dr. A. Schoors), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

2008

W.K. van der Molen, *Een ban om te mijden. Bouwstenen voor een bijbels-theologische verkenning* (promoter: prof.dr. E. Noort), Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

2009

N.J. Grönun, *Hermeneutische vertrekpunte in die GKSA in 'n postmoderne denkklimaat: 'n evaluering* (promoter: prof.dr. Fika Janse van Rensburg; copromoter: prof.dr. J.M. Vorster), North-West University Potchefstroom

2009

Ron van den Hout, *Struikelblokken op de weg naar restauratie. Zacharia 1-14 als dramatische tekst* (promoter: prof.dr. U. Berges; copromoter: prof.dr. W.A.M. Beuken), Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

2009

Jacobus de Bruyn, *Die Christologie van die eerste Testament binne die konteks van die Psalms. 'n Praktiese toespitsing op Psalms 2 en 110* (promoter: prof.dr. Dirk Human), Universiteit Pretoria

2009

Csaba Balogh, *The Stele of YHWH in Egypt. The Prophecies of Isaiah 18-20 concerning Egypt and Kush* (promoter prof.dr. G. Kwakkel), Theologische Universiteit Kampen-II

2010

P. de Vries, *De heerlijkheid van JHWH in het Oude Testament en in het bijzonder in het boek Ezechiël* (promoter: prof.dr. Athalya Brenner), Universiteit Amsterdam

2011

David Beakley, *The Verb NHM: A Biblical-Theological and Exegetical Study* (promoter prof.dr. P.P. Krüger), North-West University Potchefstroom

2015

Kristofer Holroyd, *A (s)Word against Babylon: An Examination of the Multiple Speech Act Layers withing Jeremiah 50-51* (promoter prof.dr. Markus Zehnder), Evangelische Theologische Faculteit Heverlee

2015

Jak Verwaal, *Machtscentrum. Betekenis en functie van het woord bamah in de Hebreeuwse Bijbel* (promoter prof.dr. K.A.D. Smelik), Universiteit Gent

2018

Wilhelm Wessels, *Failed Leaders. The Nature and Content of Prophetic Rivalry in Jeremiah 23:9-22* (promoter prof.dr. E. van Wolde), Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

2018

Ryu Park, *Blessed are the Killers of Infants – A Canonical Interpretation of the Imprecatory Prayer in Psalm 137* (promoter prof.dr. Dirk J. Human), University of Pretoria

2018

Ferdinand van den Bosch, *De voorstelling van de godin Atiratū in de Ugaritische alfabetische teksten* (promoter: prof.dr. B.E.J.H. Becking, copromoter dr. M.C.A. Korpel), Universiteit Utrecht.

2019

Brad Willits, *Translating Zephaniah in Context* (first promoter prof.dr. L.J. de Vries; second promoter prof.dr. W.T. van Peursen; copromoter prof.dr. Ernst Wendland), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Organisation of conferences

1998

Conference Christelijk Academisch Netwerk Nederland, 'Christelijke wetenschapsbeoefening. Met hoofd, hart en handen', Amersfoort

2004

TUA-VU symposium 'Over leesgedrag en leergezag', Apeldoorn

2005

Symposium 'Bijbelvertalen voor gereformeerd Nederland', Apeldoorn

2006

Joint Meeting Society for Old Testament Studies and the Oudtestamentisch Werkgezelschap Nederland en België, ‘Psalms and Prayers, Apeldoorn
2007
Joint Meeting Oudtestamentiese Werkgemeenskap Suid-Afrika and Oudtestamentisch Werkgezelschap Nederland en België, 2007
2013-2014
Two conferences Exchange Program NWU-TUA, Apeldoorn en Potchefstroom
2014
Symposium onderzoeksgroep BEST, ‘De God van het Oude Testament’, Apeldoorn

Academical Lectures

1993
‘Op de vleugels van de adelaar - een oud misverstand (Deut. 32:11)’, OTW Kampen, June
1999
‘Het bloed van Abel tot Zacharias (Mat. 23:35 / Luc. 11:51)’, OTW Apeldoorn, January
1999
‘Gods troon in Elam. Historische achtergrond en literaire context van Jer. 49:34-39’, Joint Meeting OTW-OTWSA Pretoria, January
2000
‘The Kingdom of God in the Old Testament’, International Theological Reformed Conference Potchefstroom, October
2004
‘Met of zonder kapitaal. Psalm 110 aan beide zijden van de kloof’, TUA-VU symposium Apeldoorn, November
2004
‘“I hate them with perfect hatred” (Ps. 139:22)’, ISBL/EABS Groningen, July
2005
‘The World’s First Murder. Violence and Justice in Genesis 4:1-16’, EABS Dresden, August
2006
‘De interpretatie van Psalm 139:21-22’, OTW Kampen, February
2006
Opening Speech Joint Meeting OTW-SOTS Apeldoorn, August
2007
‘The Assassination of Gedaliah (Jer. 40:7-41:18)’, Joint Meeting OTWSA-OTW Pretoria, August
2009
‘Dutch and Reformed’, International Conference ‘Reformed Identity Worldwide’ Potchefstroom, January
2010
‘“Against you, Daughter of Babylon!” A remarkable example of text-reception in the oracle of Jeremiah 50–51’, IOSOT Helsinki, August
2010
‘Entre embarras et conviction. Itinéraires herméneutiques de l’Ancien Testament’, AFETE Nogent-sur-Marne, September
2011
‘Who Attacked Gaza, and When? A Reappraisal of the Date of Jeremiah 47’, EABS Thessaloniki, August
2011

‘A Christian Reading of the Old Testament from a Reformed Perspective’, Refo500 Asian International Conference Seoul, September 2011

‘How Can a God of Love Use Violence?’, Joint Meeting Society for Reformed Life Theology and the Korean Evangelical Theological Society Chonan, September 2013

“‘But Fear not, O Jacob my Servant!’ The Place and Function of the Salvation Oracle Jeremiah 46:27-28 MT’, IOSOT München, August 2014

‘Condemned from High to Low. Meaning and Function of Jeremiah 46:25-26a’, ISBL/EABS Vienna, August 2015

‘Het zal geschieden te dien dage..’ De oudtestamentische toekomstprofetie tussen verletterlijking en vergeestelijking’, BEST-conferentie ‘Sola Scriptura’ Kampen, 12 June 2018

‘De volgorde van de volkenprofetieën in het boek Jeremia. Kanttekeningen bij een zich aftekenende consensus’, OTW Apeldoorn, 19 January 2018

‘Divine Forgiveness in the Book of Jeremiah’, ISBL/EABS Helsinki, August 2018

‘Divine Tears because of Divine Violence? God’s Lament in the Oracle against Moab in Jeremiah 48’, Joint Meeting OTW-OTWSA-SOTS Groningen, August 2019

‘Judgment and Compassion in the Book of Jeremiah’, Faculty of Theological School North-West University, Potchefstroom, February 2019

Guestlectures / Visiting professor

1998
Faculté Libre de Théologie Réformée Aix-en-Provence, France

1998
Theological University Kampen-II, The Netherlands

1999
North-West University Potchefstroom, South-Africa

2000
University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South-Africa

2000
Reformed Theological Seminary Kobe, Japan

2000
Presbyterian Theological Kosin-Seminary Chon-Ahn, South-Korea

2002
Independent Reformed Churches, Seoul, South-Korea

2004
Theological University Kampen-II, The Netherlands

2004
Presbyterian Theological Kosin-Seminary Chon-Ahn, South-Korea

2005
Notre Dame University South Bend, USA

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 Puritan Reformed Seminary Grand Rapids, USA
 2006
 Reformed Theological Seminary Kobe, Japan
 2006
 Presbyterian Theological Kosin-Seminary Chon-Ahn, South-Korea
 2007
 Theological University Kampen-II, The Netherlands
 2011
 University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South-Africa
 2011
 Independent Reformed Theological Academy, Anyang, South-Korea
 2011
 Chongshin University, Seoul, South-Korea
 2011
 Hapdong Theological Seminary, Suwon, South-Korea
 2012
 Central Reformed Theological Seminary, Wuhan, China
 2012
 Independent Reformed Theological Academy, Anyang, South-Korea
 2019
 North-West University, Potchefstroom, South-Africa
 2019
 Independent Reformed Theological Academy, Anyang, South-Korea
 2019
 International Reformed Evangelical Seminary, Jakarta, Indonesia

Scholarly functions (past and present):

- Rector of the Theological University of Apeldoorn (1994-1995, 1996-1997, 2000-2001, 2004-2006, 2014-2016)
- President of the Old Testament Society in the Netherlands and Belgium (2005-2008)
- Co-founder and president of the Christian Academic Network, the Netherlands (1994-1999)
- Research Associate of the Department of Old and New Testament Studies, University of the Free State, South Africa
- Member Board of Directors Greenwich School of Theology (United Kingdom, accredited by the North-West University, South-Africa)
- Member FWO expert panel (Fund Scientific Research, Belgium)
- Senior member of NOSTER (Dutch Research School of Theology and Religion)
- Editorial Board of *Theologia Reformata* and Advisory Board of *In die Skriflig*, South-Africa
- Member of the EABS (European Association of Biblical Studies), OTW (Old Testament Society in the Netherlands and Belgium), FAGAT (Facharbeitsgruppe Altes Testament, Germany), Tyndale Fellowship (Cambridge, United Kingdom), SBL (Society for Biblical Literature)
- International Member Quality Evaluation: research program Department of Theology, North-West University, South-Africa (1998), OT-department, Faculty of Theology, University of Pretoria, South-Africa (2007), OT-department, Faculty of Theology, University of Bloemfontein, South-Africa (2009)

- Chair Review Panel research program Department of Theology, North-West University, South-Africa (2013)
- Associate professor of Old Testament studies, TUA (1986-1992)
- External advisor National Research Foundation (NRF), South-Africa
- External reviewer Old Testament Essays, South-Africa, and Acta Theologica, South-Africa
- Program Leader, Research Group Bibliology, Theological University of Kampen-II and Theological University Apeldoorn (1999-2005)
- Program Leader Research Group Biblical Exegesis and Systematic Theology, Theological University Kampen and Theological University Apeldoorn (2012-2014)
- Member Steering Committee GTU (Reformed Theological University) (2014-2017)

Ecclesiastic and societal activities (past and present)

- Ordained minister of the Christian Reformed Churches in the Netherlands (1982-)
- Chair Foreign Relations Committee Christian Reformed Churches (1998-2013)
- Member Advisory Board Forum-C; Board of References World Reformed Fellowship: Europe; Advisory Board IFES-Nederland; Member Advisory Board Instituut voor Cultuurethiek
- Member Steering Committee ‘De Nationale Synode’ (2008-2012)
- Chair Board of Identity, Greydanus College, East Netherlands (2008-2012)
- Chair Study-Committee ‘Women in Church’, Christian Reformed Churches (1998-2001)
- Chair department Apeldoorn of Ex Oriente Lux, Near Eastern – Egyptian Society (1992-)
- Teacher of religion, Oranje Nassau College Zoetermeer (1982-1983)
- Teacher Old Testament at the Academy Social Work & Theology of the Reformed College Zwolle (2005-2014)
- Chair foundation ‘Steun Roeping Frankrijk’ (1991-2007)
- Member Committee of Support Gáspár Károly University Budapest (1992-1996)
- Member Board of the NCRV (Dutch Christian Broadcasting Company, 1988-1995)
- Supervisor NBV (Dutch New Bible Translation, 1993-2004)
- Member Review Committee NBV (Dutch New Bible Translation, 2016-)

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